

**REMARKS**

Review and reconsideration on the merits are requested.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's discussion of rejections being overcome under **Comments** on page 2 of the Action.

With respect to **Claim Objections**, in claim 1, line 6, "adsorbing" is changed to --absorbing--.

Withdrawal of the objection is requested.

Applicants briefly summarize the rejections as set forth in the Action, following the nomenclature of the Examiner.

Paragraph 5: claims 1 and 5-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over WO '603.

Paragraph 6: claims 8, 16 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over WO '603 further in view of Inada et al.

Paragraph 7: claims 10-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over WO '603 and Inada further in view of Ohmori.

Paragraph 8: claim 9 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over WO '603 and Inada and further in view of Yu.

Paragraph 9: claims 13-15 are rejected 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over WO '603, Inada and Ohmori and further in view of Yu.

At page 9 of the Action, under **Allowable Subject Matter**, it is noted that claims 3 and 4 are merely objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if

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rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.


Claim 3 depends from claim 1.

Claims 1 and 3 are combined.

As a consequence, since all other claims depend either directly or indirectly from claim 1, it is believed this application is in condition for allowance, and Applicant does not comment at this time upon the art rejections.

Withdrawal of all rejections and allowance is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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